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THE WARNINGS of the Christian powers to the sultan will finally prevail, because the Christians will all be dead.

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MR. BRYAN considers himself as important as a woman's postscript and is trying to work himself up to that distinction.

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THEY TELL of a Kentucky lynching that was quiet and orderly. The services must have been very gratifying to the corpse.

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EVERYTHING goes to the new administration except the dishonor of the old one. That is a trouble that clings to its authors like a twin.

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CHINA has arranged for four thirty-two-knot torpedo-boats. The speed is necessary to enable the ferocious boats to run away from the enemy.

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HYPNOTISM is blamed for an unfortunate marriage in Chautauqua county; and the curious part of it is that the man is the party who is guilty of it.

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THE SUNDAY NEWSPAPER proposes a number of chapters on the ideal clergyman; and to begin with it insists—for even the worm will turn—that there isn't any.

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THE HUMANITY that leads so many of our young men to enlist for the cause of free Cuba is looking for another old John Brown whose soul is marching on.

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REASSURING THE "CLOTH."

MRS. COHN—"Ikey, who is dat in de frónd room mit papa?"
IKEY—"A divinity student vas looking for a furnished room."
MRS. COHN—"Ikey, go oud py der hall undt vissle a hymn."

A LONG PERIOD of uncertainty as to the tariff will set the business of this country back to the worst of the late depression. Why go back to that industrial cemetery?

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WILLIAM MORRIS was a socialist, but he left the whole of a considerable fortune to his own family. Theories are inspiration for poems, but business is business.

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A DANCE on Christmas eve in Kentucky ended with a battle in which one hundred shots were fired and one man was killed. The enthusiasm in behalf of peace must have been unbounded.

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IF IT IS TRUE that Mrs. Lease had a twelve-hundred-dollar mortgage on an eight-hundred-dollar house, the legal sale of the place, as a matter of finance, would do justice to Mr. Bryan himself.

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THE WOMAN who sued for divorce because her husband snored lost her case. We suppose the judge argued that, while there was sufficient cause for divorce, the man was innocent because he never did it when he was awake.

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AN ASSOCIATION of negroes who were slaves demands pensions from the government. They have a right to their back pay; but the trouble is that their old masters, who alone have the right to give it to them, repudiated their obligations many years ago.

THE MARKS OF GUILT.

IF DR. ZERTUCHA didn't betray Maceo there is a general belief that he will never cease to bewail the loss of his opportunity. He has certainly done all he could to hurt the cause of Maceo while pretending to be its friend; and that is a betrayal, backed according to good testimony by bad lies, worthy of a traitor and an assassin.

A PLEASING RESPONSIBILITY.

MILLIONS of the subjects of the queen in India have starved. Russia has done something to alleviate the sufferings of these poor people, and England nothing. It is a fine thing to have authority over people so far away that little is known of them save as to their ability to pay taxes. It gratifies the pocket without disturbance to the soul.

THE RICHEST WOMAN.

LAWYERS, according to Hetty Green, are worse than anarchists, because you can keep out of the way of anarchists. There is a hint here for the man with a bomb which is almost powerful enough to drive Russell Sage to the cyclone refuge below the ground-floor. And really the lady is ungrateful, for there are lawyers who have delivered her from great perils at the hands of—some other lawyers.

INJUSTICE OF DIVORCE LAWS.

THE DAKOTA DIVORCE has been pronounced inoperative in this state; so that a number of men and women who got relief from matrimony in order to re-enter that state of existence are guilty of bigamy. That will hardly hurt their feelings, however, if the law will kindly let them alone. They have played with morality so long that a little extra notoriety will be as refreshing to them as a cool breeze in a long summer day.

A THREATENED BOOK.

VICTORIA is to superintend and dictate a considerable part of a history of her own reign. These are peaceful times, but if she controls the book it is likely to bring her rapidly to the reign's end. The people of England have been patient with the previous literature of the good lady; but she must take thought at this later period of both their vitality and her own health. Queens have lost their heads even without the provocation of a single volume.

THE PERIL OF RIGHT AND HUMANITY.

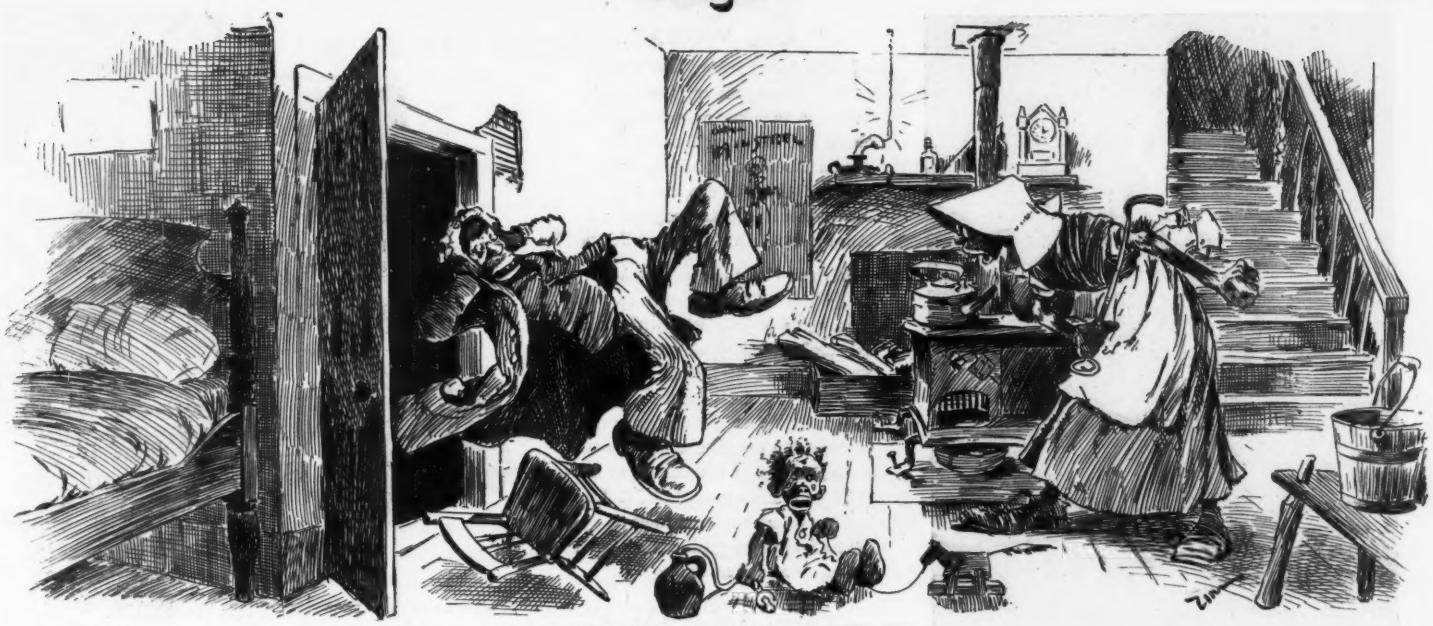
IT WOULD NOT be surprising if certain foreign powers had notified this government that they would not be impassive in case of our intervention in behalf of Cuba. That, however, is a result always to expect, if it has not yet happened. If it is to stop us from any proper action, of a humane or other nature, we might as well give up all allegiance to the Monroe doctrine. Nobody wants to fight; but on the other hand nobody wants to run away from the responsibility pointed out to him by his own duty and self-respect.

WHY LIE?

TWO MEN are said to have said that this country is no country for gentlemen. One of them is the son of the late President Arthur, and the other is William Waldorf Astor; and their words are the more astounding because the country has done very much for them, at least through their predecessors. The only explanation is that the statement in each case is a lie; and a curious question is, whether the liars are most actuated by the meanest of envy or the most wanton of all malice. Why should young Mr. Arthur or the older Mr. Astor be a fool?

THE NEW APOSTLES OF FREEDOM.

MR. CLEVELAND is a bulwark between Spain and the new abolitionists of this country. The latter want to abolish slavery of the kind from which we suffered a hundred and twenty years ago, and of the kind which President Lincoln abolished by proclamation. These new abolitionists are enlisting in many sections of the country, but without the slightest prospect of getting into the fight. Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Olney object, and possibly properly under the circumstances; but the sentiment of the new abolitionists will in some way prevail. It is only a matter of time.



HE COULDN'T WITHDRAW EITHER.

IRATE WIFE—"Los' yo'ah money playin' pokah ergin, did yo'? Ef anybody axes yo' how yo' los' dat skin off'n yo'ah haid yo' kin tell dem dat yo' los' it in er li'l' pokah game, an' dat de ole 'oman hel' de bes' han'!"

THE SCRIBES AND PHARISEES.

NOW it came to pass in those days that the scribes were frequently turned down, for the Pharisees edited all the magazines. And the Pharisees passed by on the other side and made broad the phylacteries of their garments and likewise the margins of their publications, and lo, they rejected many manuscripts, from the morning unto the even. For the Pharisees took counsel together and said, "Behold, if we accept the articles of these scribes they will ruin us, for verily they know what the people want, and it is our business to make people think they want what we want them to want."

And another said, "Verily, it is a truth; let us turn them down." So they turned them, and great was the turning thereof.

And another Pharisee said, "Of a truth, there is none in the land who can write a sonnet save I." So he wrote them, and a gloom even unto that of Egypt went throughout the land that the sonnet had ever been invented.

But the Pharisee was glad. Selah.

Now, in those days board was payable weekly and the wash-lady was adamant. Wherefore the scribes were hard pushed. But the Pharisees had terrapin and went to the opera. Then the scribes arose and banded themselves together and said, "Lo, it has come even to this. Verily, we will be our own Philistines and have our own publications, and we will show the Philistines a thing or two." Selah.

So they published them straightway the *Scrap-Book* and the *Wrote-Us* and *Snips* and the *Jay*, and others like unto them. And their pictures were weird and uncanny, like unto Beardsley, and there was an odor of Maeterlinck. And the critics made a mighty clavering and the seasonal jongleurs piped lustily and the Pharisees waxed ribald.

For in those days the critics wrote their own plays and their own books and their own poetry; likewise some of them lectured and composed operas. Wherefore every man's work seemed good in his own eyes. Selah.

But the Philistines had come to stay, and they rose above the banal multitude and girded mightily at the Pharisees, and they chortled cacophonously at the magazines and jawbled fluently of many things and had a pretty good time and indorsed more cheques than usual.

For verily the Philistines were not much worse than the Pharisees after all.

And the book-stalls were loaded with many leaves and the congestion of the waste-basket was somewhat relieved.

And it is so unto this day, and the end thereof no man can tell. For some can understand only the Pharisees and some can comprehend only the Philistines. But others read the newspapers. Selah. MARY C. FRANCIS.

THEIR FIRE-ESCAPE.

MR. AND MRS. HAY JAY (*who are on the twenty-seventh floor*)—"What's that them fellers er hollerin'?—

—Th' shack 's on fire, sho'!—

—That's th' notion—use th' hoop-skirt fer ballyune.—

—Now up in th' window an' keep cool.—

—Great guns! we're a-goin', b'gosh!—

—We'll teach these city Ikes a note in fire-escapes!"

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JUDGE'S FAVORITES.

EMMA EAMES.

Music thou art to hear! for all thy singing
Is like the fabled stream of molten gold;
And to the eye a dream embodied, bringing
Rich life into an idle tale that's told.
So dowered, I have fancied that thine art
Is, first of all, expression of thy heart.

OH, WOMAN.

"I AM so sensitive," she'd sigh,
"To any misery that's nigh,
It seems as if my nerves would fly!
Stories of suffering I decry,
And accidents that horrify.
I envy those who can stand by
Bedsides of pain and anguish; I
Am too soft-hearted—why, I'd die!"

And once I saw her at the play
(The kind that's known as "real");
Through five long acts, without a ray
Of aught but woe, despair, dismay,
She sat—poor soul, she'll rue the day
Such wretchedness to feel!
The tears she shed made great display.
The curtain fell, she walked away,
I stood to hear what she might say—
With sobs she wept, "Oh, if I may
But see to-morrow's matinée
I'll half my spring allowance pay;
It's twice as sad as this to-day."

NICE TO TEACH.

Madge—"I wonder why Dolly gets taken out skating so much."

Marjorie—"It's because she doesn't know how to skate."

A SLIP OF THE TONGUE.

THE PRETTY BEREAVED—"My dear Mr. Tompkins, can I ask you to be a pall-bearer at my poor husband's funeral?"

THE SPECULATOR—"Ah, with the greatest of pleasure."

HIS CRITICISM.

A SMALL Episcopalian went with a Presbyterian aunt to a prayer-meeting in the church of the latter. He was evidently surprised at the proceedings and came away in deep thought.

"Well, Stanley," said his aunt, "how did you like the prayer-meeting?"

"Pretty well," replied the youngster, "but, aunty, that was a very queer minister. He didn't know but one of his prayers, and the people had to say them for him."

A FORCIBLE SUBSTITUTE.

KILMARTIN—"Did yez sell Maroney th' dog he wor afther wantin'?"

KILLILLY—"Oi did not! Th' chump hod th' narrve t' offer me a maisly quarther fer his ch'ice!"

KILMARTIN—"Thin yez didn't let him hov th' pick?"

KILLILLY—"Oi did not; Oi let him hov th' shovel. Oi hod no pick in me hands!"

GIVEN HER CHOICE.

LITTLE Harry's experience with death was limited to the decease of a pet canary, which had been sent to a taxidermist, and now adorned the parlor mantel.

His grandmother, of whom he was very fond, was taken suddenly ill. For some time after he learned of her condition he sat in a brown study; then, as if coming to a sudden resolution, he tiptoed into the sick-room and cautiously approaching the bed, fixed his serious big brown eyes upon his dear relative and said, with a little quiver in his voice,

"Say, grandma, if you die which would you rather be, buried or stuffed?—'cause, if you're buried we can't see you no more, but if you're stuffed we can set you in the parlor."

Grandma immediately began to mend.

NOT ASPHYXIATED.

MR. HAYBACK—"That city feller w'ot 's a-visitin' here sez thet Sally Spriggins w'ot went from here tew th' city is entirely unsuffisticated."

MRS. HAYBACK—"Lan' sakes, the pore gal! W'en will they larn tew turn off th' gas instid uv blowin' it out?"

ALAS, HOW TRUE!

THE inconsistency of man
Is not a joke, but real;
The more you sell a fellow for,
The cheaper he will feel.

HIS STATUS.

"WHEW! That fellow knows a great deal, doesn't he?" commented Poots when Gassaway had departed.

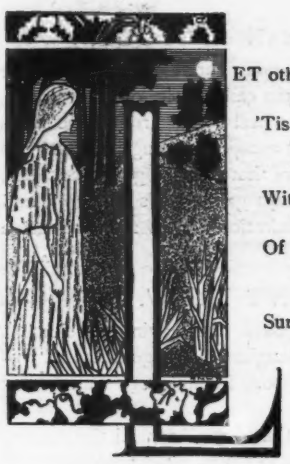
"Yes," replied Grimshaw. "He knows entirely too much for one man; he ought to be incorporated."

NOT "SENTED."

Small boy—"Mister, I wants a bottle of vaseline."

Drug-clerk—"Do you want scented or unscented?"

Small boy—"No. I'll fetch it wid me."



THE BICYCLE FACE.

LET others denounce and deride
And hold up to open disgrace,
'Tis ever my joy and my pride,
That dear little bicycle face.

With eyes brimming over with fun,
With cheeks where still lingers the trace
Of kisses the mischievous sun
Has left on that bicycle face—

Surmounted by clustering curls
And a cap that is always in place,
And owned by the dearest of girls,
I'm in love with that bicycle face.

CAROLYN WELLS.

WELL MET.

MRS. MCGINNESS—"A cowld day, Mr. McCarthy."
MR. MCCARTHY—"Shure, but 'tis too hot insoide. Me woife is washin'."
MRS. MCGINNESS—"Faith, 'tis me husband thot's jist puttin' up th' shtove-poipe, an' 'tis plisanter outsoide, do yez moind?"

THE GENTLE WAR-VESSEL.

THE battle-ship was completed. To-morrow she would be launched! Maidenhood's fair hand would break athwart her prow the bottle of rare vintage, while maidenhood's rosy lips would christen her with the name of one of the bright sisterhood of states. Naught remained but baptism and the christening, and after that, perchance, in the far future, the baptism of blood and fire, in combat for the country's honor.

It is the witching hour of night—the hour when fairies walk and things inanimate find utterance. On board the battle-ship is none astir. No sign of human life is there. Save for the rhythmic "swish, swish" as the tide ebbs and flows in the water-tight compartments there is no motion. Kindly darkness veils the blush of the gaudy paint as it strives to hide the papier-maché the government accepted in lieu of wood; at intervals comes the sharp click that proclaims the splitting of another of the government's thousand-dollar indestructible bolts. Suddenly the sound of conversation breaks the midnight stillness.

"You don't suppose you could shoot anything, do you?" sneers the ramrod to the gun. "Why, the first time you are loaded you'll reel, and you know it. You couldn't stand being even half-shot. You're more than half-seas over now."

The gun makes an angry pass at the ramrod, but lurches violently on its government-inspected, doubly-secured fastenings.

However, nothing is damaged except a section of the deck, which no doubt went to pieces from sheer fright. Meantime the breeze rises and whistles shrilly through the air-tight compartments. A pebble, hustled along by a frolicsome wave, cavorts lightly through the costly triple armor-plate and is embedded in the plastic punk the government buys for hulls. The hull is visibly bored; its well-bred yawn soon spreads to a perceptible gap. It is evidently more than half a mind to take water. But morning approaches—the morning of the launching.

"How do you feel, my dear?" asks the dry-dock solicitously. "Strong and in good spirits, and up to the notch for your début, I trust?"

The battle-ship shivers, and through all her timbers runs a groan of apprehension.

"You need a bracer," suggests the dry-dock kindly.

"Yes; I feel as if I should sink," sighs the battle-ship.

For verily do the gods upon occasion give speech to things inanimate and foreknowledge to wood and stone fashioned by man's hands.

A. E. HOYT.

ASKING TOO MUCH.

SHE—"Now that we are engaged I want you to kiss mother when she comes in."

HE—"Let's break the engagement."

A BREAKFAST EPISODE.

THE table was set with daintiest care,
And the buckwheat cakes were light;
Yet the mistress's face had a look of pain
When she took the very first bite.

"These cakes," she cried, "have a soapy taste.
Oh, Bridget! what have you done?"
"Shure, mum, th' soapshtone griddle is lost,
So Oi soaped th' other one."

HELEN W. GROVE.

NO DANGER.

McLubberty—"Th' loightnin' kim down th' shtove-poipe, smashin' th' shtove, tearin' th' plasther aff, an' knockin' me sinseless fer tin minutes."

O'Hoggarty—"Begorra! yez hod a narry escape."

McLubberty—"Oi did not. Bedad! Oi don't own th' house."

"A MAN VERY LITTLE ABOVE THE LEVEL OF THE BRUTE."

ANOTHER OF CUPID'S CRUELTIES.

(Scene—office of only dentist in town. Time—Sunday morning.)

SUFFERER—"Where can I find the doctor?"

BYSTANDER—"Can't find him to-day. He's over in the next county, spending the day with his best girl."

SUFFERER—"Oh, Lord! what cruelties are done through love!"

PRESENCE OF MIND.

CHOLLY (*excitedly*)—"Quick, Miss Spinster! Take my hand."
MISS SPINSTER—"Oh, Cholly! this is so sudden!"

BETTER THAN APOLOGY.

WALKING along the path, barely wide enough for one, which runs by the eastern pier of High bridge, I meet a pretty girl on her wheel coming round the south end of the pier. She barely escapes running into me. She sees my vexation and knows that an apology is due. But, no. Instead of that she says gayly, "It's only me," and rides on, leaving me in admiration of this new and naïve way of settling a difficulty.

A. B.

SHE DIDN'T KNOW.

"WELL," said Mr. Spokes after giving a reluctant consent to his daughter's engagement and trying to be facetious, "I suppose I shall receive an invitation to the wedding."

"I don't know about that, papa," replied the daughter. "You didn't invite me to yours, you know."

A NIGHT OUT.

Mrs. Jones—"And you will come home early, won't you, dear?"

Jones (who is going to the club)—"Yes, darling; but should I be a little late you need not wait breakfast on my account."

OUR WINTER GIRL.

FROM her our troth we may not part
Till summer comes again.
The world bows to her gay decree,
And plays mad pranks to win the grace
Of this divinity.
Of every song she's the refrain;
Art worships her fair face.
With magazines she's all the rage,
And like a lover fond and sage
JUDGE folds her to his inmost heart
Upon his double page.

M. L. AVARY.

JAY'S IDEA.

Josh Medders—"How does that nephew of Judge Tophill's, that is visitin' him, look?"

Jay Green—"Wa-al, he's so cross-eyed that I guess he has to lay on his back to look down the well."

CAUSE OF THE CHANGE.

Mrs. Smith—"Bridget, I told you to get ham for lunch, and you got steak."

Bridget—"Shure, Oi niver eat ham."

QUITE NATURAL.

GRIZZLY PETE—"I see yer got a boxin'-instructor in town."
BRONCO PETE—"Yep. He's planted over in de cemetery, though."
GRIZZLY PETE—"How did dat happen?"
BRONCO PETE—"He give a lesson."

AN ENTHUSIAST.

LEADER—"Say, Sharkey, put th' soft pedal on them cymbals. You ain't doin' no Wagner solo."
SHARKEY—"Wot's th' matter—do I drown out th' flute?"
LEADER—"F-l-u-t-e! Great Scott! I can't even hear th' bass-drum."

NO EARTHLY USE.

MRS. WELLMENT—"Poor fellow! have you no friends?"
BEGGAR (*sobbing*)—"No, leddy; I hain't got nuthin' but relatives."

PUNISHMENT TO FIT THE CRIME.

"DO A BOX of jewels was stolen from your store last month?'

"Yes. It was a curious theft. Our washerwoman was scrubbing up the floor and saw a richly-dressed lady come in and steal the jewels out of a box. This gave the washerwoman an evil idea and she up and stole the box."

"What did you do with the washerwoman?"

"The judge gave her six months for theft."

"What did he do with the lady?"

"Let her off. Case of kleptomania."

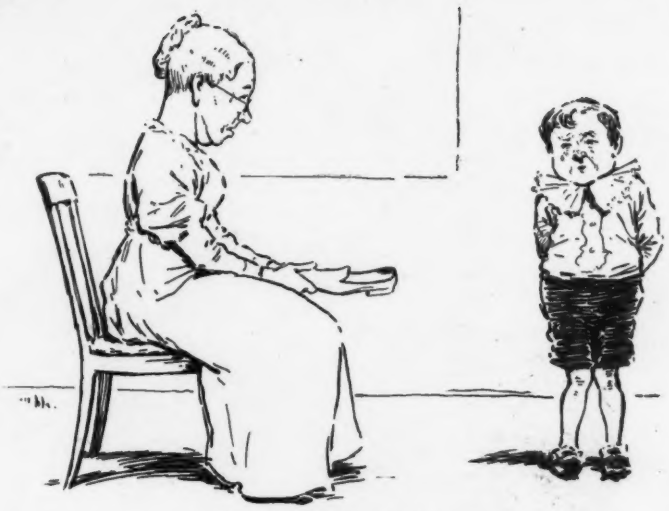
A SUNDAY-SCHOOL DIALOGUE.

Reverend Dr. Boneshake—"A painful rumor hab reached me dat Brudder Backslide done got tight yesterday. An' he had jes' signed de pledge toe drink nuffin' but watah."

Deacon Setback (dubiously)—"Mebbe he was watah-tight."

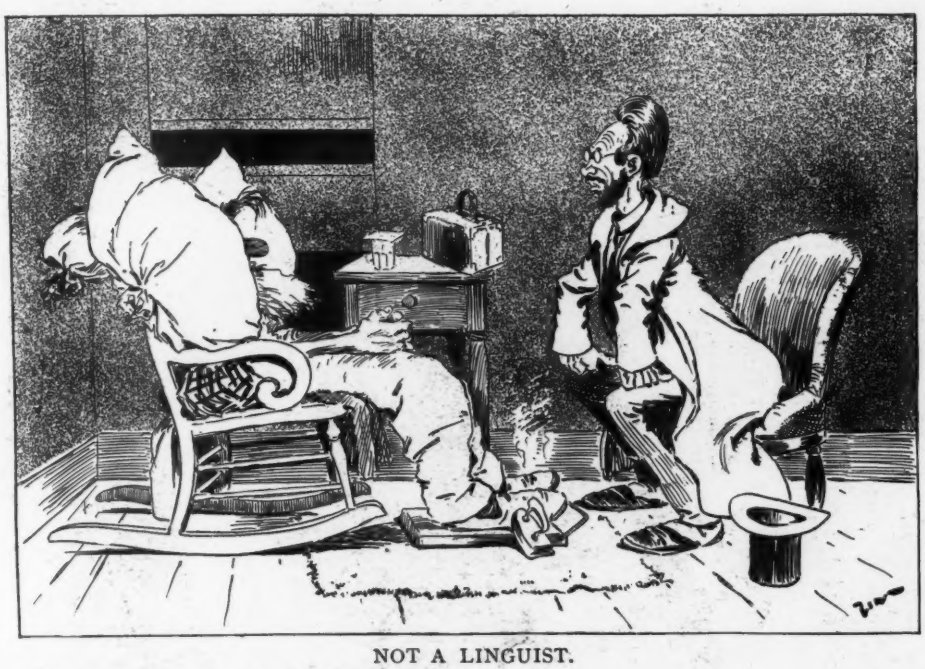
TOO TARDY.

THE first time Stuart had a foot asleep he was not pleased. "I wish my foot would get up when I do," he said.



MATERNAL LOVE.

"I feel for you, my son."
"I wish you wouldn't do it with a slipper, ma."



NOT A LINGUIST.

DOCTOR—"How are you feeling this morning?"
FARMER JONES—"Pow'ful sick, doctor."
DOCTOR—"Did you use that external application I gave you last night?"
FARMER JONES—"My wife an' I figgered whether externul meant big er little doses, an' not understandin' them Lating words I concluded tew swaller her all at once. Yew think I took tew much at one time?"

NOT SURPRISED.

MAY was visiting her aunt Jane, and was very restless. Aunt Jane said, "You must keep still or go home. I want you to understand I am an autocrat here." May didn't seem a bit surprised. "A naughty cat?" said the tired little girl. "I've known it always."

NOT POSTED.

Traveler (in the south, to aged negro)—"Do things seem to brighten, or does the cessation of business continue?"

"Ah reckon, mistah, yo' behin' de times. Dat secession business done stop yeahs ago."

THE MISSING ONE.

Alkali Ike—"When they hauled Copperhead Bill up in court yesterday he suddenly jerked out his gun an' turned it loose permiscuss. The lawyers dived under the benches an' the judge jumped out of the winder."

Dr. Slade—"Did Bill escape?"

Alkali Ike—"Nope; they captured him right off, but the judge is still at large."

ME woife do be more av a gintleman than some Oi'm a-knowin', if Oi do say it mesilf.

JUDGMENTS FROM MR. MCGARVEY.

IT'S lucky it is fer some fellies' woives thot they ain't married.

It's some min thot don't talk wurds; they talk carpittacks.

Th' mon thot do know he ain't shmart is th' shmart mon, me b'y.

Whin Oi rade pooetry th' shtuff goes in wan oye an' out th' other.

Bejakers! it's th' dandruff thot sifts t'rough a dude's skull, Oi'm thinkin'.

Shure, it's mesilf thot do be thinkin' some av th' monkeys evilooted from min.

Six months day an' six months noight! Me son do say they hov it thot way in some counthries. Will yez be afther tellin' me which is labor-day wid thim fellies?

DAVID H. TALMADGE.

WHETHER STOUT OR THIN, THE X-RAY MAKES THE WHOLE WORLD KIN.

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NO EXCUS

MISS COLUMBIA (*to Carpenter McKinley*)—"With such good timber as this the ca

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this there can be no reason why you should not build me a fine cabinet!"

DIFENSPECKER'S BIOGRAPHY CONTINUED.

FOR some time before his death he was much interested in the Venezuelan complication, and calling Siegfried Graff to him he asked,

"Vhas ist dose dings dot I read in dher noosebapers apout dot Schombergk line? Is dot Mose Schombergk fon Puffalo?"

"No, no, Meester Difenspecker; dis Schombergk vhas a great draveler"——

"Oxectly," said our philosopher, "undt so vhas Mose Schombergk a great draveler; undt he draveled for Vatertank undt Colyard off Puffalo."

"Oh, Cheeminy, Meester Difenspecker! dis man draveled undt surveyed a line dot vhas Schombergk's line"——

"Mose Schombergk's line yoostopeen collars undt cuffs undt men's hardware"——

"Oh, ger-a-cious no, feefty times no! Dot Schombergk line vhas a line on dher map."

"Ach, so-o-o?" said the genial old man. "Dhen I vhill tole you somedings. Der bresident fon dese Noonited Shtates pedder look a leedle oudt dot he don'd git dot line aroundt his neck undt shoke himselluf." And he finished his glass.

It was at a state dinner given by the mayor of Cobleskill to the ambassador of Schoharie that he made himself notorious by his sarcasms. At his solicitation a young lady graduate of the conservatory of music of Fort Plain had gone to the piano and rendered Mendelssohn's fugue in 6-30 sharp, to the horror of the assemblage. One of them said,

"Mr. Difenspecker, we owe this avalanche of sound to you."

"Nein, you vhill oxcuse me," he said; "I asked de younk lady for some moosick."

On the same occasion a doting mother had pointed out her daughter to the serene old man and said,

"Is it not a wonder, Mr. Difenspecker that so beautiful a girl should remain single so long?"

"Berhaps," said he thoughtfully; "she is vhat der boets call a matchless beauty."

A shrill scream was heard and that beauteous being had passed on—on into the supper-room in search of three kinds of ice-cream.

His immortal reply to his son who was given to earnest and laborious drunkenness is worthy of compiling in this veracious history.

"Father," said he, "I am one of those resolute men who can drink or leave it alone."

"Hans," said he, "I can shwear to one halluf off dot broposition."

"As how, father?" he asked.

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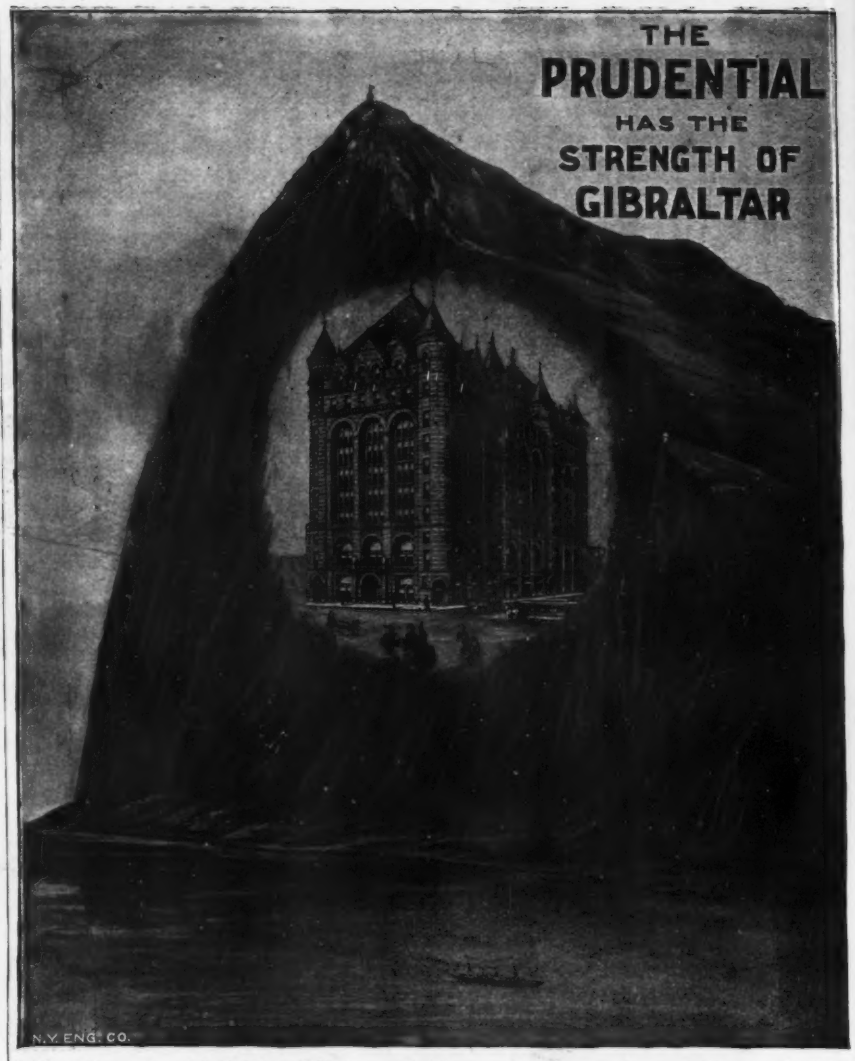

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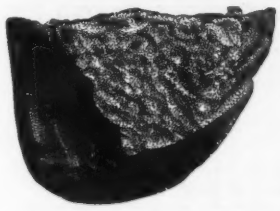

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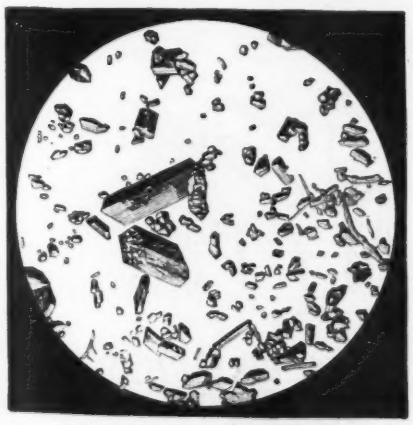

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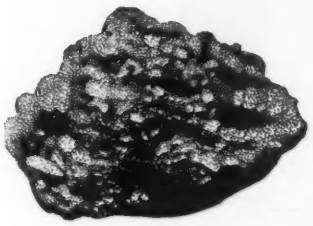

(Calculi "D" magnified 12 diameters.)

DEAR DOCTOR: I have received the five collections of **disintegrated Calculi,** each collection containing a number of **fragments,** and also the three boxes, each containing a single calculus, mentioned in your letter as discharged by different patients under treatment by the

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I have analyzed and photographed parts of each specimen, and designated them alphabetically.

One of the Calculi from the collection marked "A" was 3-16 of an inch in diameter, of an orange color, and on section exhibited a nucleus, surrounded by nine concentric layers of a crystalline structure, as shown in the accompanying photograph, marked "A," magnified 12 diameters.

On chemical analysis it was found to consist of **Uric Acid** (colored by organic substances from the urine), with traces of Ammonium Urate and Calcium Oxalate.

A **fragment** of a **broken down Calculus** from the same collection was found to consist of **Uric Acid.**

One of the **fragments,** taken at random from the collection marked "B," which was **still more disintegrated** than the preceding one, proved on analysis to be composed chiefly of **Uric Acid** and Ammonium Urate, with a trace of Calcium Oxalate. See accompanying photograph "B," magnified 12 diameters.

The contents of the boxes marked "C" consisted chiefly of whitish crystalline materials.

On microscopic examination they exhibited well-defined prismatic crystals, characteristic of **"Triple Phosphates,"** as shown in the accompanying photograph "C," magnified 20 diameters.

On chemical analysis they were found to consist of Magnesium and Ammonium Phosphate (Triple Phosphate), Calcium Phosphate, Calcium Carbonate—a trace, Sodium and Potassium Salts in traces, Uric Acid and Urates none, Calcium Oxalate none, Organic débris in considerable quantity, and matters foreign to Calculi.

The **fragments** of Calculi in the collection marked "D" were numerous and of sizes varying from small **fragments** to 7-8 of an inch in length by 3-16 of an inch in width and 5-16 of an inch in thickness. I inclose a photograph of one of them marked "D," magnified 12 diameters. Some of the **fragments** were white and others gray in color.

On chemical analysis they were found to consist partly of the variety known as **"Fusible Calculus,"** Ammonium and Magnesium Phosphate with Calcium Phosphate, also Calcium Phosphate, Calcium Carbonate, in traces, Calcium Oxalate in traces, **Uric Acid** in traces, and organic matter.

The collection of Calculi marked "E" were nodulated, and nearly spherical in shape, consisting of crystalline layers from 3-8 of an inch to 1-4 of an inch in diameter. See accompanying photograph "E" of a specimen magnified 12 diameters.

They were of a brown color, and on analysis proved to be chiefly **Uric Acid,** with some Ammonium Urate and traces of organic matter.

The Calculus marked "F" was of a light brown color, nodulated, hard, brittle and nearly cylindrical, 1-4 inch long and 1-8 of an inch wide. It consisted of Calcium Oxalite, with some organic matter which gave it color. See photograph "F," magnified 12 diameters.

The Calculus marked "G" was of a light brown color, irregular in form, nodulated, hard, crystalline, and in layers. It was 3-8 of an inch long and 1-4 inch in diameter It consisted of Calcium Oxalate and some coloring matter. See photograph "G," magnified 12 diameters.

The Calculus marked "H" was of a very light brown color and semi-transparent, nodulated, very irregular in form, crystalline and hard. It was 3-8 of an inch long, 1-4 inch wide, and 3-16 of an inch thick. It consisted of Calcium Oxalate, and a very small amount of coloring matter. See photograph "H" magnified 12 diameters.

Yours respectfully,

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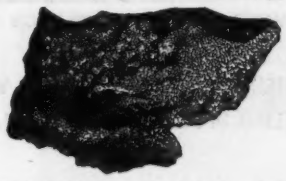

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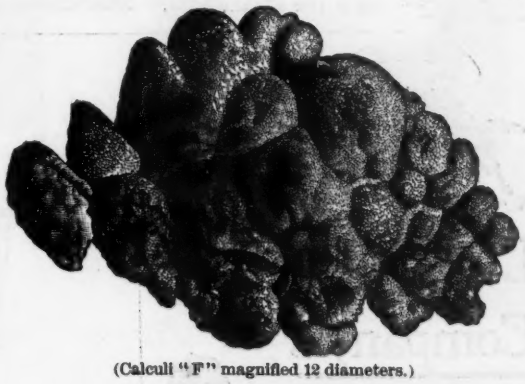

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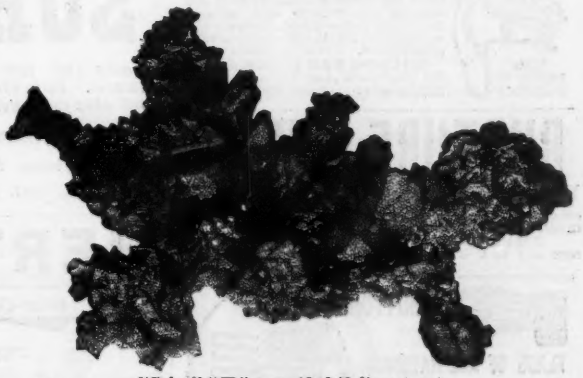

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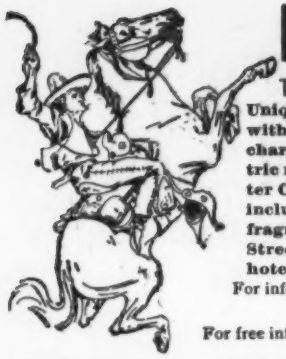

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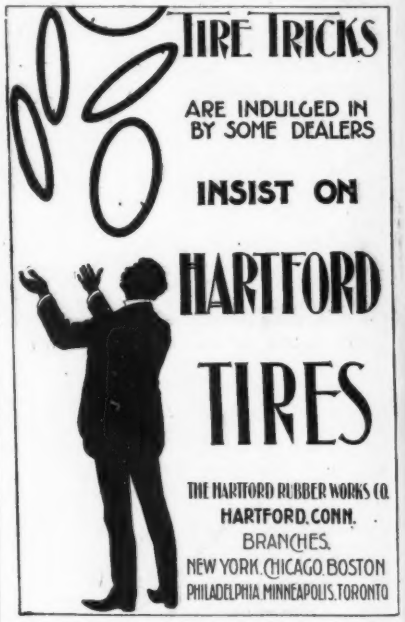

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